

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Juan Salmeron Ozuna, a documented gang member of the violent Surenos 13 Gang, after pleading guilty to illegal entry into the United States after a prior deportation and threatening to kill a federal agent, was sentenced by the Honorable Laurie Smith Camp to a period of imprisonment of 12 months plus one day, and a term of supervised release of 3 years. The conviction arose out of Defendant's arrest on September 5, 2008, in Omaha, Nebraska. Salmeron Ozuna was recognized as being an alien who had previously been arrested by Immigration and Customs Enforcement in Omaha, and had been deported from the United States on July 30, 2008, less than two months prior to his September 5, 2008, arrest. At the time of his arrest in Omaha, Defendant threatened to shoot and kill one of the agents that took him into custody.

Name of Defendant: Juan Salmeron Ozuna

AKA:

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Illegal re-entry after deportation, 2 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, at least 1 year of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment. Threatening a federal agent, 10 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, at least 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: On or about the 5th day of September, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: September 5, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: September 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: September 23, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Pled guilty on December 1, 2008

Sentencing Date: February 23, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: F. A. Gossett

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without Bond

In Continuous Custody Since: September 5, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Laurie Smith Camp

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